



ENCHANTED ROCK STATE NATURAL AREA

BACKGROUND

Enchanted Rock State Natural Area is located on FM 965, 22 miles southwest of Llano and 17 miles north of Fredericksburg in Llano and Gillespie counties. The park was acquired in 1978 through the Texas Nature Conservancy and contains 1,643 acres. The 70-acre granite dome known as Enchanted Rock is one of the oldest exposed rocks in North America. Objectives of the department are to restore and maintain healthy populations of native fauna and flora in natural habitats and to provide for compatible public use. Where game populations exceed the carrying capacity of the habitat, the preferred method of reduction is public hunting. For more information call (830) 685-3636.

HUNTING INFORMATION

All park rules and regulations must be adhered to unless superseded by hunting regulations.

Archery Hunt, only, permitted hunters should

report to headquarters by 10:00 am on the first day of their assigned hunt period. **Hunters must contact the area as soon as possible if they are unable to attend their accepted hunt or not able to arrive on the first day for orientation.** Standby hunters should report to the park by 9:00 a.m. on the first day of the desired hunt period to complete the application process. A brief orientation will begin at 11:00 am, afterwards Texas Parks and Wildlife personnel will direct hunters to a hunt area. Hunters will be taken to their assigned area by park staff and must remain there until picked up. Hunters may bring a pop-up blind for use in their area. Call (830) 685-3636 for specific questions about the Archery Hunt. Hunting will end at 10:00 a.m. on the final day of the assigned hunt.

Gun Hunt only, permitted hunters should report to the Park headquarters by 10:00 am on the first day of their assigned hunt period. **Hunters must contact the area as soon as possible if they are unable to attend their accepted hunt or not able to arrive on the first day for orientation.** Standby hunters should report to the park by 9:00 a.m. on the first day of the desired hunt period to complete the application process. A brief orientation will begin at 11:00 am, afterwards Texas Parks and Wildlife personnel will direct hunters to a hunt area. Hunters will be taken to their assigned blind by park staff and must remain there until picked up. Hunting will end at 10:00 a.m. on the final day of the assigned hunt.

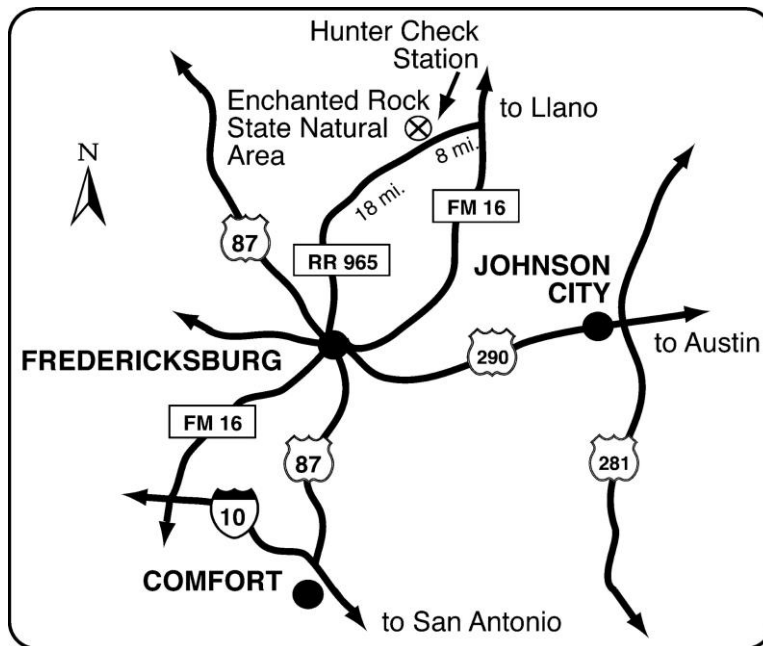
Hunters must wear a minimum of **400 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange material**, with at least 144 square inches appearing on both chest and back and orange headwear.

Only one legally permissible weapon per hunter will be allowed into the hunt area. Center fire Rifles are the only permissible weapon allowed. Use of dogs is prohibited.

Non-permitted visitors and family members will not be allowed on the Park during hunts except that a nonhunting adult assisting a permitted handicapped person will be allowed.

Hunters will be responsible for the reasonable care of their game after harvest. No facilities for deer storage will be available on the Park, but commercial facilities are available in Llano and Fredericksburg.

Hunters are reminded that they must have a valid Texas Hunting License, any required stamps as required by statute. It is no longer necessary to use a hunting license tag or bonus tag for on a deer taken during a Special Permit drawn hunt however a TPWD Legal Deer Tag, issued at the area, must be attached to a harvested deer prior to leaving the hunt area. Hunters 17 years of age and older must have in their possession a valid I.D. Hunter Safety Education is required of Texas hunters born on or after September 2, 1971 (see the Texas Parks & Wildlife



Outdoor Annual for more information). Each hunter should also bring a flashlight, food, drinking water, and foul weather gear.

Disturbance or removal of plants, rocks, artifacts, or other objects is prohibited.

The public display or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited. Hunters may not consume or be under the influence while hunting.

Disabled individuals may hunt from a stationary motor vehicle. Operation of an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) or off-road vehicle (ORV) is prohibited, except by a disabled person or an adult directly assisting the disabled hunter. Camping will be available on the park for permitted hunters beginning on the first hunt day. Campsites with tent pads will be available for use. Reservations are not required but will be accepted in advance. The normal overnight camping fee will be charged to those hunters using the Park's facilities. Phone (512) 389-8900 for camping information. Adequate lodging is available in Llano and Fredericksburg.

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